

# Period 3: Learning goals

## Explain shortly about GraphQL, its purpose and some of its use cases

- GraphQL er et open source-dataforespørgsel og manipulationssprog til API'er og runtime til udfyldelse af forespørgsler med eksisterende data.
- GraphQL blev udviklet af Facebook
- Bruges til at køre queries, mutations (CRUD-operationer) på en database
- Erstatte REST api hvor der kan undgås over/under-fetching. Alt data kan hentes og man vælger selv hvad man vil se efter en query fx

```
query{
  allFriends{
    id
    firstName
    lastName
    gender
    email
    age
  }
  {id firstName lastName}
}
```

## Explain some of the Server Architectures that can be implemented with a GraphQL backend

### What is meant by the terms over- and under-fetching in GraphQL, compared to REST

**Over-fetching:** Hente for meget data fra et REST-endpoint

**Under-fetching:** Hente for lidt data fra et REST-endpoint

Med GraphQL vælger man selv hvilke værdier man vil have retur i en query. Derved kan man undgå at have spilddata som man alligevel ikke benytter.

## Explain shortly about GraphQL's type system and some of the benefits we get from this

- Alle GraphQL services definerer hvilke typer data som kan queries fra.

```
type Character {  
  name: String!  
  appearsIn: [Episode!]!  
}
```

**Character** : GraphQL object type ⇒ Det er en type med nogle felter

**Name** and **appearsIn** : felter som et character-graphql objekt kan indeholde

**String, Int, Float, Boolean, and ID** : Built in scalar type

**!** : Non-nullable af en bestemt type

**Episode** : Homemade type

- GraphQL er stærkt typebaseret, hvilket betyder at udvikleren på forhånd ved hvilke type data der arbejdes med / skal inputtes etc
- Alle typer der kan kaldes i GraphQL API'et skrives ned i et skema ved brug af GraphQL Schema Definition Language (SDL). Skemaet er en kontrakt imellem client og server.

## Explain shortly about GraphQL Schema Definition Language, and provide examples of schemas you have defined.

- Typestærkt ⇒ Alle typer er defineret på forhånd

▼ Eksempel på et GraphQL skema

```
type Friend {  
  id: ID  
  firstName: String  
  lastName: String  
  gender: Gender  
  language: String  
  age: Int  
  email: String  
  contacts: [Contact]  
}  
type Contact {  
  firstName: String  
  lastName: String
```

```

}
enum Gender {
  MALE
  FEMALE
  OTHER
}
type Query {
  getFriend(id: ID): Friend
  allFriends : [Friend]!
}
input FriendInput {
  id: ID
  firstName: String
  lastName: String
  gender: Gender
  language: String
  age: Int
  email: String
  contacts: [ContactInput]
}
input ContactInput {
  firstName: String
  lastName: String
}
type Mutation {
  createFriend(input: FriendInput): Friend
  updateFriend(input: FriendInput): Friend
  deleteFriend(id: ID!): String
}

```

- Et skema som indeholder Queries og mutations (til CRUD-operationer).
- Indeholder typen Friend og Contact som har sine egne felter.
- To slags input felter som benyttes til at kunne definere hvilken slags input der kan modtages i mutations ⇒ Det fremgår i parantesen i mutation-metoderne

## Provide examples demonstrating data fetching with GraphQL. You should provide examples both running in a Sandbox/playground and examples executed in an Apollo Client

Se mappen "apollo-client-for-lynda-server-main" i filerne i components  
mappen fx: app.tsx, allFriends.tsx

**Provide a number of examples demonstrating; creating, updating and deleting with Mutations. You should provide examples both running in a Sandbox/playground and examples executed in an Apollo Client.**

Se mappen "apollo-client-for-lynda-server-main" i filerne i components mappen fx: app.tsx, addFriend.tsx, FindFriend.tsx med apollo eller se startkoden for execution i en apollo client.

#### ▼ Schemas for mutations

```
input FriendInput {
  id: ID
  firstName: String
  lastName: String
  gender: Gender
  language: String
  age: Int
  email: String
  contacts: [ContactInput]
}

type Mutation {
  createFriend(input: FriendInput): Friend
  updateFriend(input: FriendInput): Friend
  deleteFriend(id: ID!): String
}
```

#### ▼ Mutations

```
Mutation: {
  createFriend: (root, { input }) => {
    const newFriend = new Friends({
      firstName: input.firstName,
      lastName: input.lastName,
      gender: input.gender,
      language: input.language,
      age: input.age,
      email: input.email,
      contacts: input.contacts,
    });
    newFriend.id = newFriend._id;
    return newFriend.save();
  },
  updateFriend: (root, { input }) => {
    return Friends.findOneAndUpdate({ _id: input.id }, input, { new: true });
  },
  deleteFriend: async (root, { id }) => {
    const res = await Friends.deleteOne({ _id: id });
    if (res.deletedCount === 1) {
      return "Succesfully deleted a friend";
    }
  }
}
```

```

    }
    throw new Error("Could not delete a friend with the provided id");
  },
},
},

```

## Explain the Concept of a Resolver function, and provide a number of simple examples of resolvers you have implemented in a GraphQL Server.

Resolvers er funktioner som benyttes til at udføre queries, mutations etc i fra GraphQL i JS/TS - kode.

Resolvers er field-functions som medtager et parent-objekt, argumenter og execution contexts (fx at det er en query og hvilken metode den så skal udføre).

Resolvers er ansvarlige for at returnere et resultat for et felt

### ▼ Resolvers.js fra GraphQL\_test

```

import { Friends } from "../dbConnectors";

// resolver map
export const resolvers = {
  Query: {
    getFriend: (_, { id }) => {
      return Friends.findById(id);
    },
    allFriends: () => {
      return Friends.find({});
    },
  },
  Mutation: {
    createFriend: (root, { input }) => {
      const newFriend = new Friends({
        firstName: input.firstName,
        lastName: input.lastName,
        gender: input.gender,
        language: input.language,
        age: input.age,
        email: input.email,
        contacts: input.contacts,
      });
      newFriend.id = newFriend._id;
      return newFriend.save();
    },
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## Explain the benefits we get from using a library like Apollo-client, compared to using the plain fetch-API

Apollo-client bruges til local-state-management og sætter apollo-clienten et globalt scope (i fx en REACT-router)

### ▼ Eksempel på react router med apollo-provider

```

<ApolloProvider client={client}>
  <div className="content">
    <Switch>
      <Route exact path="/">
        <Home />
      </Route>
      <Route path="/allFriends">
        <AllFriends />
      </Route>
      <Route path="/findFriend">
        <FindFriend />
      </Route>
      <Route path="/addFriend">
        <AddFriend />
      </Route>
    </Switch>
  </div>
</ApolloProvider>

```

Apollo-clienten kan så tilgå GraphQL queries/etc fra alle steder i koden.

Man undgår fx at skulle lifting-state-up

Ved plain fetch-api er det mere kompliceret at holde styr på state og hvilket scope der arbejdes på.

## In an Apollo-based React Component, demonstrate how to perform GraphQL Queries, including:

### Explain the purpose of ApolloClient and the ApolloProvider component

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### Explain the purpose of the gql-function (imported from graphql-tag)

Gql : Query language

Gql-function bruges til at parse elementer til et query-document

#### ▼ Eksempel på gql-function

```
import { gql } from "@apollo/client"

const ALL_FRIENDS = gql`
query{
  allFriends{
    id
    firstName
    lastName
    gender
    email
  }
}
```

```
    age  
  }  
}
```

**Explain Custom Hooks used by your Client Code**

**Explain and demonstrate the caching features built into Apollo Client**

**In an Apollo-based React Component, demonstrate how to perform GraphQL Mutations?**

**Demonstrate and highlight important parts of a “complete” GraphQL-app using Express and MongoDB on the server-side, and Apollo-Client on the client.**